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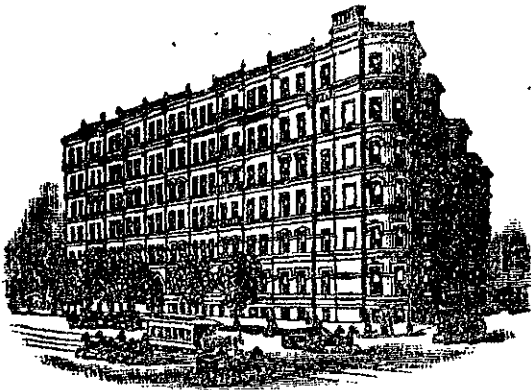
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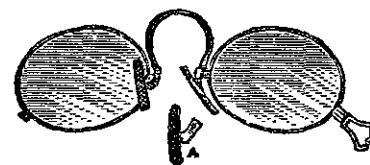
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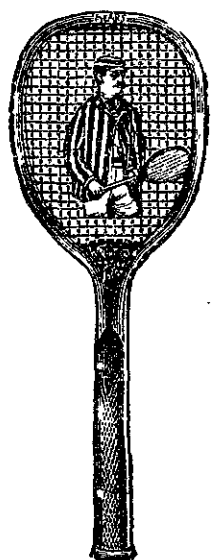
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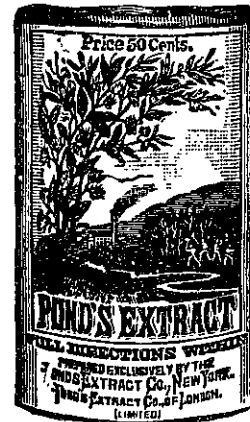


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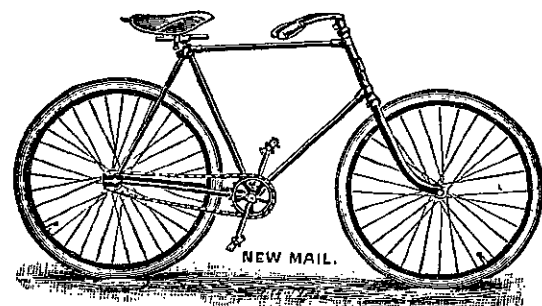
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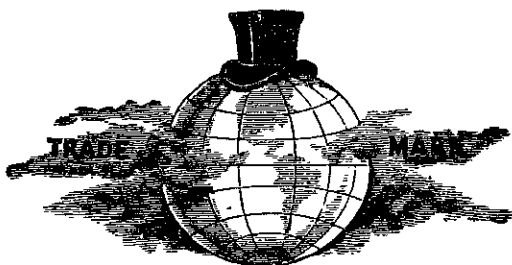
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OME two years since, during the immediate period following the establishment of the Institute Committee, a proposition was advanced to appoint regular correspondents to the larger papers of our country, published in cities remote from Boston. The plan was deemed entirely feasible, and measures were taken to insure its consummation. Several upper classmen who were invited to act as authorized representatives, were assigned to leading papers in Chicago, Cincinnati, Denver, and other places of importance. As a result, Technology news began to appear with that from other colleges, which, with far less prestige, had been granted a uniform space as the direct outcome of the interest which had been evinced by members of these institutions in submitting news items. With the Ninety-four Commencement and the consequent withdrawal

of those who had been most active in the subject, the movement was allowed to relapse into its former state of desuetude and of oblivion; nor did the succeeding Committee undertake to carry on the work so well developed during the previous year.

The present Committee, however, has again broached the question of representation, and once more steps have been taken to procure a rightful acknowledgement of the work of Technology. A list of prominent journals has been obtained, from which the more desirable publications, and those in direct contact with localities interested in technological education, and especially in the training at Technology, will be selected. It will be necessary to assign the duties of correspondence to men who have the welfare of our college at heart, who desire to obtain, in addition to an incidental remuneration, which in but few cases is considerable, that facility in writing which is so important in professional life.

The scheme which has so well proved its application to other colleges, should scarcely be allowed to fail in absorbing the requisite attention at Technology; if well carried out, it will produce an effect in broadening the general conception of the work and character of our college,—it will certainly appeal to an increased number of men who are contemplating scientific college work.

THE Harvard Faculty has certainly accomplished its purpose in checking the growth of the ever-popular game of football. For such action, it is being severely criticised on all sides. There is, however, another view of the situation, yet unperceived, and the Harvard Faculty is accomplishing

what it anticipated last year, a reform. It does not believe, apparently, that Intercollegiate Football should be abandoned, but is obliged to take this means to secure an end. It seems, moreover, that the game would have passed unnoticed, had the rules been appreciably modified and enforced last year, but owing to the failure to avoid such serious injuries, the deathblow has been dealt. Now that the coaches and leaders have an opportunity to realize what should be done, we may hope next year to see a modification and improvement of the present game, and trust that Harvard will be again represented on the football field at Springfield.

WE note with gratification the large number of very favorable comments in the several daily papers of Boston apropos of the work of our Mining Department, and of the presentation of the Bessemer Medal for the current year to Mr. Howe, of the Class of '91. The *Transcript* of March twenty-first says, "The conferring of the Bessemer Medal, the highest honor known to metallurgists, upon our fellow-citizen, Mr. Henry M. Howe, is perhaps the first incident which has called the attention of the citizens of Boston and of Massachusetts to the metallurgical work of the Institute of Technology." The article also describes in detail the growth of Mining Engineering work under Professor Richards, and praises in highest terms his devotion to the training of the course and his intent supervision of the entire department. The *Transcript* further states, in much the same words which Mr. Lunge, the noted Swiss chemist, has used, that the equipment and laboratories of Technology in this branch of her work are far superior to all others both at home and abroad; that its graduates, moreover, are prepared in theoretical and practical knowledge more thoroughly than are those of any other institution.

While Mr. Howe's work has been especially brilliant, and has remarked general attention

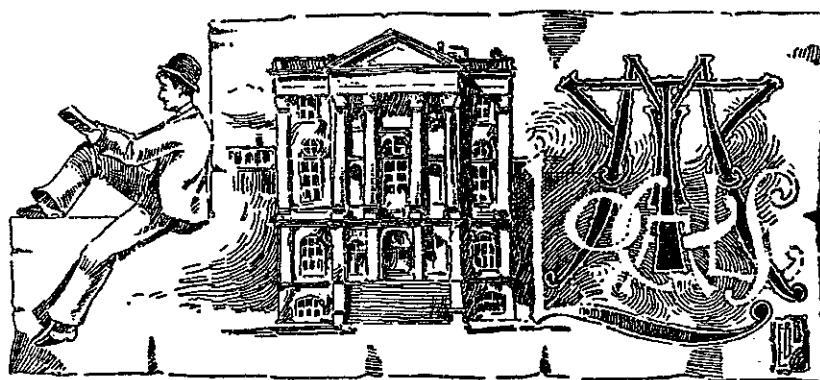
not merely by the people of Boston, but throughout our country, Technology men should scarcely forget that the training of Course III. has developed a number of men whose reputation as metallurgists has been most satisfactory in its reflection upon our college. The late Mr. Charles O. Parsons, whose life work was commented upon at some length in our issue of Nov. 1, 1894, Mr. Alfred E. Hunt, Mr. Takuma Dan, Mr. John E. Hardman, well known among the mining circles of Nova Scotia, Mr. Frederick W. Wood, President of the Maryland Steel Company, Messrs. J. W. Cabot, H. H. Campbell, Captain Lyall, U. S. A., and others still, who might well be mentioned, have all accomplished a work which can be only looked upon with pride.

WITH scarcely a fortnight remaining before the advent of Junior Week and its unusual number of attractive undertakings, the Board of Editors has been led to consider the advisability of publishing a special issue of THE TECH in recognition of the gala event. The number will appear during the week succeeding the festivities, on Thursday, April twenty-fifth, and will present itself to the Technology world in a new dress suited to the occasion. It will contain, as inserts, half-tone reproductions of the French and German players if the management is enabled to obtain group photographs in costume at a reasonable period in advance. The number will further comprise full-page accounts of the French and German productions, the Junior Prom., and the Annual Spring Concert, together with extended sketches of the Architectural and Photographic Society exhibits and their respective lists of prize winners. In addition, other interesting features will be introduced, and no pains will be spared to make the issue a record entirely worthy of the week and of its foster class.

It is truly unfortunate that so little regard has been shown by certain Architectural students to the ordinary rules of the drawing room, and so little respect has been exhibited toward those instructors having the rooms in charge, that official reprimand became necessary. Not long since it was customary, when problems were delayed beyond the prescribed limit, to force admittance into the office and to commit other acts equally outrageous. We are informed, upon the best authority, that the practice of thus submitting overdue problems was continued for a considerable period before a discovery was made. The disclosure of the plan, however, failed to reveal, and to bring suitable punishment upon, those individuals directly concerned. If the thing continues, one of two alternatives will, of necessity, be enforced: either the offender will be suspended from the subject altogether, or such stringent rules will be adopted that the entire department will be inconvenienced. If the rightful spirit is existent within that portion of the student body connected with Course IV., it has been only necessary in order to insure a complete amendment, to advert to the ridiculous position in which the men at fault have placed themselves.

#### Calendar.

- March 28th: Meeting of Electrical Society, 42 Farnsworth St., So. Boston, at 8 P. M. Paper by Mr. H. V. Hayes.
- March 28th: Meeting of the Society of Arts. Professor W. H. Pickering, '79, will lecture on "Astronomical Investigations at Mountain Observatories."
- March 29th: Athletic Handicap Games at the Exeter Street Gymnasium, open to all students.
- April 3d: Meeting of Y. M. C. A., Room 27, Rogers, at 1.45 P. M.
- April 15th: German Plays at Copley Hall, at 8 P. M.
- April 16th: Junior Promenade, Pierce Hall.
- April 17th: Annual Spring Concert of Glee Club, Huntington Hall.
- April 18th: French Plays at Copley Hall, at 8 P. M.



The Mondamin club held its monthly dinner March 16th, at Parker's.

A new list of consultation hours of Professors has been posted on the General Bulletin.

Mr. Geo. W. Rolfe, Harvard, '95, has been appointed instructor in the Freshman laboratory.

The Glee, Banjo and Mandolin Clubs will give a concert at Smith College on Friday evening.

Mr. C. H. L. N. Bernard has returned again to his classes after a three weeks' absence.

Keys to the coat room, in 42 Rogers, may be procured free on application to Miss Jameson.

The literary department of Harvard gave Ben Jonson's "Epiocene or Silent Woman," last week.

A picked team of bowlers from Courses V. and X., '97, defeated the regular '97 team last Saturday.

The tennis players have commenced practice for outdoor work at the Gymnasium on Wednesday mornings.

A course in second-year design will probably be included in the work of the Summer School in Architecture.

One of Frank Bird Masters' drawings posted on the "Technique" bulletin board is attracting general attention.

Mail addressed to one student cannot be delivered to another, except by a written request from the one addressed.

The apparatus on the platform in Huntington Hall, last week, was used by Mr. King in his lecture on precious stones.

An examination in Political History covering the recent history of Germany was given to the Freshman class last Thursday.

On Saturday, March 23, Prof. F. L. Bardwell gave a talk on "The Teaching of Elementary Chemistry in the Laboratory."

A list of standard articles on Korea, of especial interest to Course IX. men, has been posted on the bulletin board of Room 40.

All students who have of late lost books, should call at the Cage to examine those which have been deposited there to be claimed.

Capt. Bigelow has supplemented his pamphlet, containing orders of the individual drill, with a similar manual for the company competition.

The Rev. E. W. Donald, rector of Trinity Church, is delivering a series of lectures in the Lowell Course, on "The Expansion of Religion."

The Freshman Baseball candidates have been out for practice several times. Many good pitchers are developing, prominent among whom is H. B. Sargeant.

Mr. Boos, our instructor in gymnastics, has been appointed a member of the committee of five to draw up a constitution for the newly formed gymnastic association.

The Co-operative Society wishes to announce to its subscribers the fact that tickets now held expire April 1st, and suggests that new subscriptions may be left at A. D. Mac-lachan's.

Technology men should take note of the authorized shades of the Institute colors, which have been placed in Roger's corridor, in order to gain a uniformity at all students' gatherings.

As a precaution against possible accidents in the Mechanical Laboratory, a steam whistle

which has been erected will be blown at each exercise two minutes before the time of starting the engine.

A Rand Steam Rock Drill has been set up between the Engineering Building and the Boiler House. It will be used in connection with the thesis of Messrs. Faxon and Haven, Course II., '95,

Blanks furnished by the Medical School of the University of Pennsylvania have been posted in the Biological Laboratory. The papers give the list of hours and subjects required for entrance.

On Friday last the Second Battalion of the cadets was given a Battalion parade for the first time. The ceremony was performed in a manner which reflects great credit upon the instructor and officers.

Some of the tennis players of the Freshman class have been playing in the gymnasium, and are already in good form for outdoor work. Several clever players have developed among them, and a Freshman tournament is practically assured.

The originators of the movement for the new gymnastic association among the clubs in the vicinity of Boston are H. J. Boos, John Graham, and A. L. Whitehouse. Dr. Sargeant of Harvard has taken a very active and enthusiastic interest in the matter.

The Biological Club met on March 22d, and listened to a paper by Miss E. E. Hough on "Erythronium and its Variations." Professor Sedgwick read a second lecture on the "Drainage of Paris," and Mr. Burrage gave an account of "The Purification of Water by Algæ."

The committee in charge of the Portraits of Women now on exhibition at Copley Hall, has issued season tickets, not transferable, for the use of artists and art students. These tickets, at one dollar apiece, may be obtained of C. J. Edmund, at the store of Wadsworth, Howland & Co., Grundmann Studios.

The latest news in regard to the competitive drill is, that it will occur May 11th, from 6 to 11 P. M., the minimum number of men drilling being sixteen files or four complete sets of fours. Captain Bigelow further announces that any Technology man will be eligible to drill in the individual competition.

The Course IX. Seniors have had the following Theses subjects suggested: "Acclimatization as a factor in the colonial extension of European nations in Africa and in the East;" "The evidence for and against a derivation of the American Aborigines from the Mongolian stock;" "A history of the Family in England since 1066."

The Harvard Yacht Club has elected the following officers: Commodore, J. L. Stackpole, Jr.; vice commodore, C. F. Lyman; rear commodore, D. H. Morris; secretary and treasurer, B. Frothingham; election committee, B. Frothingham, R. M. Johnson, C. A. Pierce; regatta committee, M. L. Scull, J. K. Lorthrop, R. B. Williams.

The changes in the positions of Officers of the corps of Cadets, are as follows: Regimental Staff,—Regimental Adjt., 1st Lieut. F. H. Twombly, of Co. D; Regimental Sargt. Maj., Sargt. J. D. Underwood, of Co. C. First Battalion,—Adjt., 1st. Lieut. Fisher, of Co. B.; Sargt. Maj., Sargt. F. C. Hastings, Co. B. Second Battalion,—Adjt. E. M. Taylor, of Co. C.; Sargt. Maj., J. Nolte, of Co. C.

Permission has been obtained from City Engineer Jackson and the Boston Water Board, for the Seniors in Engineering Laboratory work to make a duty test upon the new Leavitt Pumping Engine at the Chestnut Hill Reservoir. The test will be performed under the supervision of Professor Miller and his assistants, and will take the place of the Hirn and Boiler tests usually given the seniors at the end of the term.

The Seventh Annual Competition for the Hale Prizes, awarded to students in American

colleges by the American Institute of Civics, is open to members of the Senior Class of Technology. It is to be hoped that men will attempt the honor. Awards are made for the essays of greatest merit upon Citizenship, Government, American History, or other allied subjects. Further information may be obtained in Room 40.

Messrs. Reed, Francis, and Walker have begun work upon their designs for the Rotch Traveling Scholarship competition, which will continue two weeks. This scholarship is open to graduates from Course IV., and gives one thousand dollars a year for two years to the successful competitor for his expenses in traveling through Europe. The Roman Scholarship gives fifteen hundred dollars for a year and a half for similar purposes. Messrs. Hill, Gardner, and Pulsifer are competing for the latter.

At a special meeting of the Society of Arts, held Thursday last, Prof. C. F. Maybery, of Cleveland, read a paper on "Occurrence and Composition of the Ohio and Canadian Sulphur Petroleums." The methods of obtaining and refining these petroleums was very fully shown by the stereopticon, and specimens of the sulphur compounds derived from them were also exhibited. At the next meeting, March 28th, Prof. W. H. Pickering, M. I. T., '79, Course VIII., of Cambridge, will read a paper concerning Astronomical Investigations at Mountain Observatories.

One of the most highly instructive lecture courses to which the members of '95 have listened was that which terminated last Monday, given to Course VI., by Mr. O. B. Roberts, on "Patents for Inventions." He stated that he had entered upon the lectures with but slight preparation, yet he held the undivided attention of the class at every lecture. Mr. Roberts appears to possess those inherent magnetic qualities so essential in a good lecturer, and he evinced an active personal interest in the course, which placed him at once into close touch with his audience.

A number of Technology men, principally members of Course XIII., gathered at the Charlestown Navy Yard last Monday afternoon to witness the experiments on the ram Katahdin. The tests were made by the Bath Iron works for the purpose of demonstrating the stability of the vessel, and of calculating the center of gravity. In order to carry out the scheme, the ram was floated in the dry dock and from large shears, erected forward and aft, hawsers were led to powerful windlasses. The vessel was keeled over to the proper angle when the ropes were cut, allowing it to right itself. Observations were made of the rapidity of righting, and the distance in degrees which she rolled.

The K<sub>2</sub>S Society held its monthly banquet at the Thorndike, on Friday evening, March 22d. Besides the active members, there were present Dr. Drown, Professor Richards, Dr. Noyes, Professor Hofmann, Mr. Lodge, Mr. Moody, Mr. Schietz, and Mr. Moore from the Institute, and Mr. Oenlager and Mr. Bell of the Boylston Chemical Society of Harvard University. Mr. Hodge acted as toastmaster. Mr. Bigelow read a paper on the preparation of acetylene from calcium carbide, which was followed by remarks from Dr. Drown and Professor Richards of a highly instructive nature, and from Mr. Oenlager. Mr. Goodwillie read a paper on the chemistry of alcoholic drinks, and Professor Hofmann gave the society an account of his experiences in Germany.

On Friday, March 15th, the Y. M. C. A. was addressed by President Walker, Mr. Logan H. Roots, of Harvard, and Mr. Henry M. Brown, of the International Committee of the Y. M. C. A. Mr. Fiske, the President, opened the meeting by a short talk, in which he outlined the work which the Association intends to accomplish in the coming year. He then introduced Mr. Roots, who proceeded to congratulate the members in that they have begun to realize the value of Christian work,

and said that he believed that it was the beginning of a new era at Technology. Mr. Moore then gave an enthusiastic address on the origin of various young men's organizations, especially in their relation to the College. President Walker's address was most thoroughly enjoyed, and offered a number of practical suggestions.

On Wednesday, March 20th, the Bowling teams of '98 and '97, Course II., met on the Boylston alleys. On the first string '98 was sixteen pins ahead, but '97 soon forged ahead, and finally won by seventy-four pins. Score, 2,085 to 2,011. The teams were made up as follows:—

'98.	'97.
Waterson, Capt.	Alden.
Kendall.	Campbell.
Nolte.	Currier.
Shedd.	Healey.
Hall.	Butterworth.

Currier, '97, was high roller at 507.

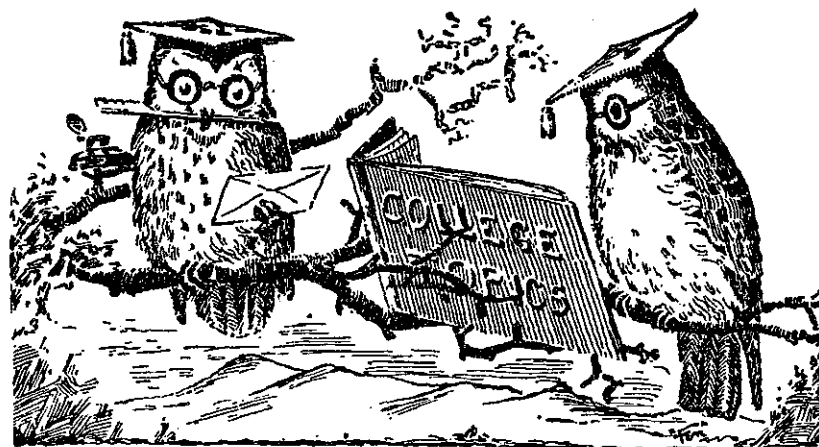
The solo parts in "Der Trompeter von Säckingen" will be taken by F. Smyser, '96, baritone; R. S. Wason, '95, tenor; and W. R. Dodge, '98, bass; all being members of the Glee Club. The actors in the play, "Er ist nicht Eifersüchtig," are: J. E. Lonngren, '95, H. von Holst, '96, K. Blodgett, '96, and E. C. Cramer, '96. The '96 Quartette has promised to give an interlude which will take place between the plays, and will consist of a comic dance with music. The scene of action in "Der Trompeter von Säckingen" is the court of the famous Heidelberg Castle, on the Neckar, in Germany. The scenery is being painted to order from actual photographs, thus insuring as true a rendering as possible. The Orchestra music will be furnished by members of the Symphony Orchestra, the music having proved to be too considerable an undertaking for the Technology Orchestra, considering that they are compelled to practice also for the French plays by L'Avenir. The following ladies have signified their willingness to act as matrons for the



event: Mrs. F. A. Walker, Mrs. W. B. Rogers, Mrs. Charles Fairchild, Mrs. W. T. Sedgwick, Mrs. Benjamin Calef, Mrs. A. N. van Daell, Mrs. F. Vogel.

Tickets for the performance will be sold this week, members of the Deutscher Verein having the privilege of the first choice. The prices will be \$1.50, \$1.00 and 50 cents respectively.

Reference has already been made in THE TECH of the recent trip of several members of Course XIII. in the fruit steamer Brookline to Jamaica. The first day out was rather rough, but after crossing the Gulf Stream the sea became more calm, and a test of the steamer's machinery was carried on with but little difficulty. The work was divided into watches, each man having four hours out of sixteen on duty. After the eighty tons of coal which had been stored for the test had been consumed, the more difficult work was completed, and the remainder of the voyage was spent in pleasure and excitement. When Jamaica was reached the men were entertained by Captain Baker, of the S. S. Company, who gave them a carriage drive of forty miles about the Island. Before returning they were given a sail on the coasting steamer Spey, from Morant to Port Antonia, where they took the Barnstable for Boston. For the first three days of the return voyage the weather was all that could be desired; but on the morning of the fourth the ship was passed by three waterspouts, which proved to be the forerunners of a tremendous gale, lasting nearly sixty hours. The steamer struggled along, at times scarcely able to make headway against the heavy seas which frequently swept her decks. When port was reached she was scarcely recognizable, her sides being covered with nearly six inches of ice. The experience on the home voyage was a most unusual one; such a combination of cold and storm is very rarely encountered between Boston and Jamaica.



Thirteen summer courses will be given at Harvard this year.

There are thirty new men trying for the Brown 'Varsity Nine.

A minstrel club has been organized at the University of Chicago.

Brown is the only college in America which offers a course in Dutch.

Cornell has offered the benefits of the crew training to any student of the University.

The senior class at Harvard have decided in favor of the cap and gown for Commencement.

Prizes amounting to \$1,890 are offered this year by the Faculty of Arts and Sciences at Harvard.

A silver cup has been offered by a Williams alumnus to the class winning the most points at the spring meet.

Individual members of the Yale baseball team will regularly visit the larger New England preparatory schools for the purpose of coaching the school teams.

At both Pennsylvania and Cornell, so-called lieutenants, selected from the able athletes, are put in charge of the candidates for the different track and field events.

A new monthly publication has recently appeared at Sheffield. The Yale Scientific Monthly is edited by members of Senior Sheff, and is devoted to matters of local and general scientific interest. The magazine is handsomely gotten up and is especially well conducted.



Boeseke won the three standing broad jumps at the Newton A. A. games on the 16th, beating Doherty, the record-holder, for the second time.

It is understood on good authority that A. M. Lyon, who won second in the low hurdles at Worcester, last year, and first prize the previous year for Dartmouth, is studying at the Boston University.

The necessity for seats of some sort in the gymnasium is made more apparent by the semi-weekly games, and both participants and spectators are very seriously inconvenienced by their absence.

Mr. Harry Keys, who enters the Institute next year, holds the championship of the District of Columbia for the long distance throw, and is considered one of the best pitchers in Washington.

Much annoyance has been caused of late in the gymnasium to a few who have been so unfortunate as to have their names erased from the posted entry lists for the handicap events. Such an occurrence has caused the loss of a handicap by each individual, and has entailed his removal to the position of scratch. This is the first instance in which anything dishonorable has been noticed in athletics at Technology, and an example should be made of the person found erasing names from the posted list.

The Intercollegiate Championship meeting will in all probability be held at Worcester, on May 29th this year, instead of May 22d, as provided by the constitution of the N. E. I. A. A.; Williams and Wesleyan moved and

seconded, respectively, to change the date, and were supported by Amherst, Dartmouth, and Bowdoin; while Technology and Brown opposed it. When the votes of Trinity, Worcester Polytechnic Institute, and University of Vermont are received, the official result will be announced. Technology has opposed the motion because the games will take place after the close of the college year, and evident losses will result.

The places won in the handicap games at the Gymnasium last week Tuesday were: 35-yard dash,—1st, F. W. Fuller, four minutes one second, with seven feet handicap; 2d, R. W. Carr; 3d, J. Nolte. Shot putting,—1st, H. L. Bodwell, thirty-four feet five inches, with three feet handicap; 2d, D. D. Field; 3d, E. F. Russ. Running high jump,—1st, R. P. Farquhar, five feet six and one-half inches, with two inches handicap; 2d, F. C. Field; 3d, C. B. Stebbins.

The Friday games were in a measure successful, although there were fewer entries than usual. Sumner and Coonly did very well in the hurdles, the former winning by his handicap. The potato race was well contested, and Tillinghast showed up in excellent form. Summary:—

#### 35-YARD HURDLES.

1st trial heat won by R. E. Backenhus, '96, 3 ft.; R. R. Rumery, '98, 3 ft., second.

2d trial heat won by E. A. Sumner, '97, 3 ft.; A. Coonly, '97, 6 ft., second.

Final heat. First, E. A. Sumner, '97; second, A. Coonly, '97; third, R. E. Backenhus, '96, time, 5½.

#### POTATO RACE.

First trial heat won by C. F. Tillinghast, '95; V. D. Mayer, '98, second; time, 50½.

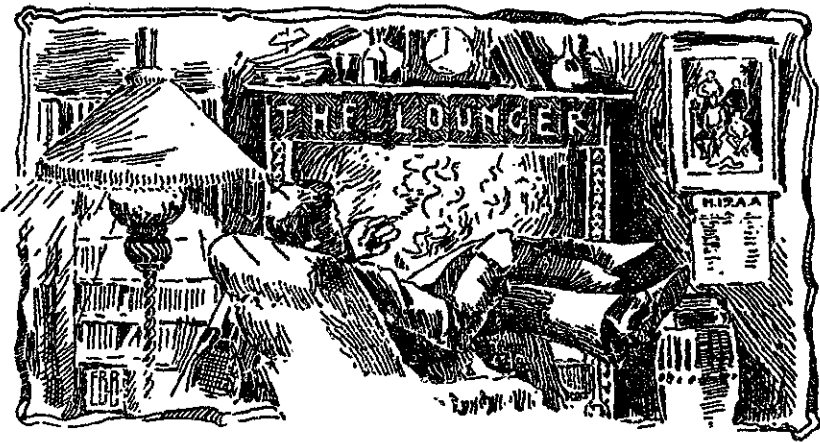
Second trial heat won by S. F. Wise, '96; A. Coonly, second; time, 50½.

Final heat won by C. F. Tillinghast, '95; S. F. Wise, '96, second; V. D. Mayer, '98, third; time, 51 seconds.

#### POLE VAULT.

A. V. Shaw, '96, scratch, 9 ft., 3¼ inches; second, Nolte, '98, scratch 9 ft., 1¼ inches; third, W. Page, '97, 8 inches, 9 feet 1 inch.





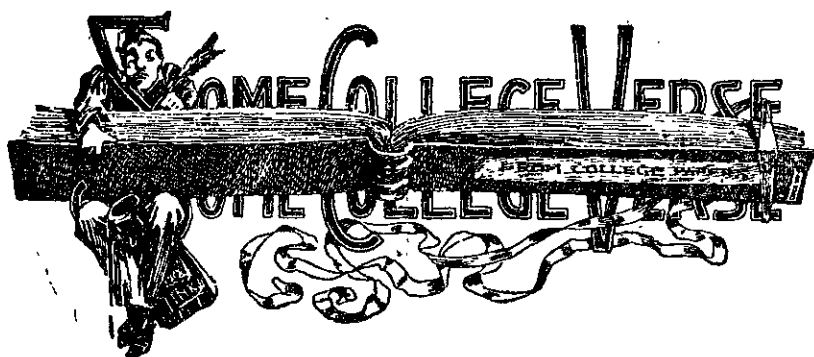
THE Lounger is not pleased at the action of the Harvard Faculty in virtually prohibiting intercollegiate football. He finds it difficult to characterize their action as hasty and ill-considered. He would, indeed, far rather withdraw quietly to the seclusion of his beloved chimney corner and indulge in a few well-chosen words of profanity, which might not indeed mend matters to any alarming extent, but which would possibly serve to dust off his mantelpiece or stimulate the open fire. If Harvard football must go, then it must go; which terse and altogether inevitable conclusion is satisfactory only for its brevity. True, the Lounger's purse can suffer no more depletion from ill-advised bets on the crimson, and he likewise loses the prospect of so remunerative hazards on the blue, which roulettish expression elucidates the matter well. The Lounger doubts not that the Faculty at Cambridge has, like every other similar body, its quota of old-notioned persons who regard innovations of all sorts with a suspicious and unfriendly eye. Such there are in our own Faculty, but, the Lounger is glad to state, under his careful tutelage, the *personnel* of this august body is rapidly improving, and if there is next fall that infusion of new blood which the Lounger desires to see, a constantly broader sentiment than has always been present will be bound to prevail. Such a change will doubtless be experienced also in the body across the river, and should meet with no cries of alarm from the Lounger's conservative friends. However this may be, the facts still stare us in the face, and the Lounger is sure that he is not the only one who sheds a private tear or cusses a public cuss that these things are thusly.

The Lounger has studied with deep interest the "Hours of Consultation," as officially posted in Rogers corridor. A suspicious popularity seems to cling halo-like about some of our worthy preceptors, if the lengthy period in which they may be "consulted" be any token, while with others a sharp curtailment of this time must indicate either an extreme bashfulness

or an intention to convey the idea of extraordinary business. This abbreviation of office hours may be only to secure a fuller enjoyment of things outside Technology, however, which the Lounger can easily understand, for tedious waitings to be consulted must be dispiriting. There is another side to the question, and the merry crew who masquerade as assistants and third sub-deputy instructors doubtless derive much innocent joy from seeing their cognomina coupled with an imposing "9 to 11, every other Monday,"—a misleading statement implying excessive occupation,—which the Lounger does not in the least begrudge them, and which he wishes were his to enjoy.

Enjoyment hardly expresses the state into which the Lounger coaxes himself at the sight of a timely weather map in the weather bureau bulletin. These rare apparitions are indeed not without their exciting side, but the Lounger trusts that no undue rejoicing attends their appearance. He is glad to remark, however, a diminutive improvement in this line of late, so that now one has only to glance at the bulletin to observe with accuracy what last week's weather would have been had it not proved the opposite of the forecast. If only a little more enterprise could be shown, so that the Lounger might refresh himself with a sample of yesterday's weather now and then, he would be truly grateful to the worthy functionary who has this important matter under his charge.

Still do our would-be grads find themselves confronted with the seductive appeal to "see the secretary in regard to their records," before making rash bets on the strength of an S. B. Graduation is a fleeting phantom,—the Lounger sheds a silent tear in memory of his own ineffectual efforts,—and carries no guarantee with it, neither before nor after. Still, he hopes that the end of May will see the proud departure of sundry friends of his in Ninety-five, to do and dare, mostly dare, and to commit other important crimes attendant upon Class Day. The festive position with a salary of *n* dollars a year still dances merrily before the eyes of our Seniors, and the Lounger hopes their quests will be successful. For those that are not, the Lounger could doubtless use part of his influence in obtaining for them situations as polisher of the Lounger's andirons, or in securing the soon-to-be-vacant post of office boy to THE TECH. This latter has proved a valuable man, and the Lounger proposes to get out a fitting eulogy of him later on, in especial memory of his recent efforts in behalf of the janitor.



## PERPLEXITY.

A white satin fan  
With a cupid upon it.  
I wonder what can  
Such a white satin fan  
Convey to a man.  
Could it mean — O, plague on it!  
That white satin fan  
With a cupid upon it.

— *Princeton Tiger.*

## I WONDER.

I wonder where my money goes,  
And yet I ought to know:  
For books and hats, and coats and shoes,  
And pipes and gloves, and oyster stews;  
Tobacco in my pipe to use,  
And liquid which the German brews,  
Frat. Chapter and athletic dues,  
Ball tickets and the college crews,  
Y. M. C. A., the daily news,  
And beggars whom I can't refuse,  
Car fares, "set ups" and bets I lose,  
And pawns, redeemed again from Jews,  
New novelettes to cure the blues,  
Class pictures, pins and college views.

— *Targum.*

## I'M A CHINESE MANDARIN.

I'm a mighty man; I'm a mandarin,  
I have almond eyes and a down-east grin,  
And my rhino, my rocks, I never call "tin,"  
But brass — but brass.

I'm a white celestial: I know no sin,  
I've a dangling queue and a downy chin,  
And my face, like my fortune, sure is kin  
To brass — to brass.

Oh! once on the heights of old Pekin  
I built me a castle and dwelt therein;  
And feasted on bouillon of poodle skin,  
Alas — alas!

For a wary widow I wooed to win,  
With her love for the poodle she took me in,  
She led them astray with a ribbon thin,  
This villain who Mrs. my mandarin,  
A lass — a lass.

— *Wrinkle.*

## I.

She gave me a rose —  
A fond, loving token!  
I care not who knows,  
She gave me a rose.  
Her love to disclose —  
Pledge ne'er to be broken —  
She gave me a rose,  
A fond, loving token!

## II.

But roses will fade,  
And their fragrance departs!  
So love that is played,  
Like roses, will fade;  
Oh! false, fickle maid,  
You, who trifle with hearts,  
Knew roses will fade,  
And their fragrance departs.

— *Williams Weekly.*

## SAY, HELEN.

Say, Helen! do you recollect,—oh, no! 'tis too much to  
expect,—

The time when we were introduced?  
I think you must have been amused,  
At seeing me so quite confused,  
Yet that was just a year ago, and time cures everything,  
you know.

Say, Helen!

Do you quite recall,—it wasn't long ago at all,—  
When, standing in the hallway dark,  
I used to say "Good night, Miss —."  
But that is past, and now, although the lights are turned  
down just as low,  
You let me, when it's time to go,  
Say—"Helen."

— *Bio.*

## TO HELEN.

(Positively the last.)

I wrote a poem "To Helen," once,  
In meter light and gay;  
And never thought that Helens ten  
Would read those lines next day;  
And in those words I threw my heart;  
Alas, my time was spent,  
For every Helen that I knew  
Believed that she was meant.

I wrote a poem "To Helen," then,  
And thought the lines were gay;  
I held her faults before the world;  
Imposing the array.  
I laughed at all her petty whims,  
But I was fooled this time,  
For every single Helen thought  
I meant the other nine.

— *Targum.*

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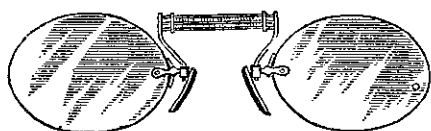
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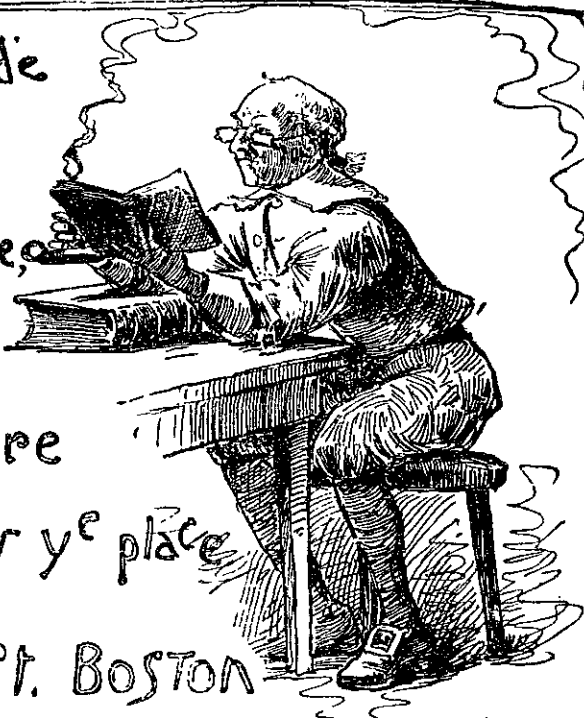
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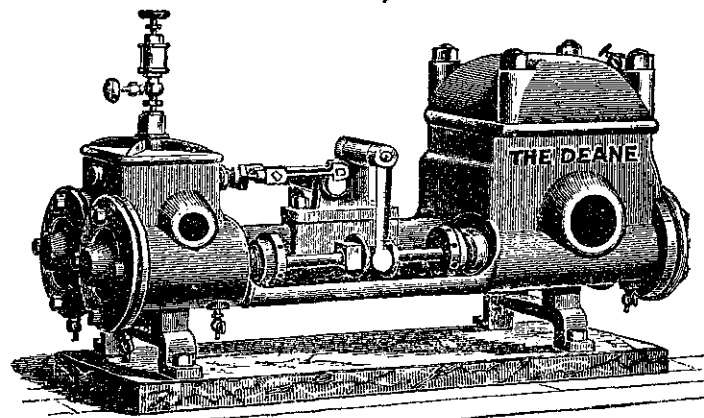
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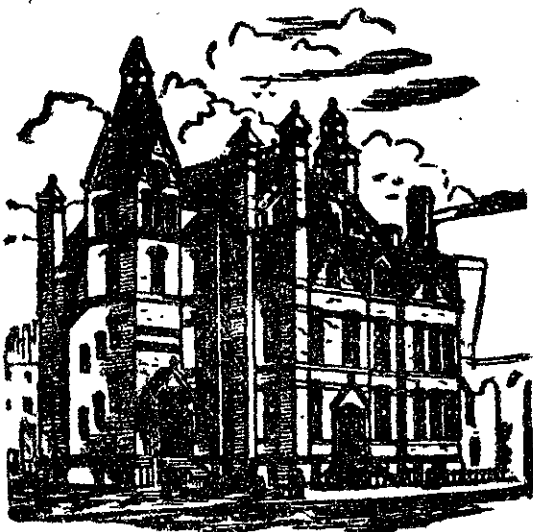
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